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OPINION AND ORDER

08 Civ. 9860 (SAS)

SHIRA A. SCHEINDLIN, U.S.D.J.:

without first seeking leave of the Court or defendants' written consent. By letter Cummings et dated September 29, 2009, plaintiffs sought leave to amend the Second Amended Complaint to correct a "ministerial error." On October 2, 2009, defendants submitted a letter in response objecting to plaintiffs' filing of the Second Amended Complaint and to plaintiffs' September 29, 2009 request to amend via letter.²

On September 25, 2009, plaintiffs filed a Second Amended Complaint

Because plaintiffs failed to comply with the Federal Rule of Civil

Procedure Rule 15(a)(2) and paragraph III(B) of this Court's Individual Rules and

Procedures, plaintiffs' Second Amended Complaint is hereby stricken from the

See 9/29/09 Letter to the Court from Jon Jekielek, plaintiffs' counsel.

See 10/2/09 Letter to Court from B. Trent Webb, defendants' counsel.

record and their letter request to amend the Second Amended Complaint is hereby

denied.

If plaintiffs wish to re-file a Second Amended Complaint, they must

either obtain defendants' written consent or move this Court for leave to amend.

Plaintiffs shall have until October 12, 2009 to file a motion for leave to amend. If

plaintiffs file a motion for leave to amend, defendants shall have until October 26,

2009 to file an opposition and plaintiffs shall have until November 2, 2009 to

reply.

The Clerk of the Court is directed to strike the Second Amended

Complaint from the docket (Docket no. 60).

SO ORDERED:

Shira A. Scheindlin

U.S.D.J.

Dated:

New York, New York

October 2, 2009

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